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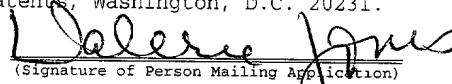
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Transmittal of Continuation Patent Application  
for Filing Under 37 CFR §1.53(b)

Box Patent Application  
Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir: Transmitted herewith for filing is a patent application by inventor(s):  
David S. Soane, Herbert H. Hooper, and M. Goretty Alonso-Amigo, entitled:

**METHODS FOR FABRICATING ENCLOSED MICROCHANNEL STRUCTURES**

1. Enclosed are:

- One stamped, self-addressed postcard for PTO datestamp.
- Certificate of Express Mail.
- One utility patent application containing text pages 1-24 and
  - 5 Sheets of drawings.
- Copy of 3 executed Declarations of Inventorship from parent application Serial No. 08/878,437.
- A Preliminary Amendment.

2. Amendment

- Please enter the enclosed Preliminary Amendment before calculating the filing fee. It is understood that only amendments reducing the number of claims will be entered for this purpose.

3. Extension of Time

- Conditional Petition for Extension of Time: An Extension of Time is requested to provide for timely filing if required to establish copendency with the parent after all papers filed herewith have been considered.

4. U.S. Priority

- This application is a continuation of Application Ser. No. 09/496,601, filed on February 2, 2000, which is a Continuation of Application Ser. No. 08/878,437, now U.S. Patent No. 6,176,962, filed on June 18, 1997, which is a Continuation-in-part of Ser. No. 08/853,661, filed May 9, 1997; and this application is a Continuation-in-part of Ser. No. 08/715,338, filed September 18, 1996; and this application is a Continuation-in-part of Ser. No. 08/690,307, filed July 30, 1996, now U.S. Patent No. 5,770,029.

5. Foreign Priority

- Priority of Application No. \* filed in \* on \* is claimed under 35 USC §119.
- A certified copy of this priority document is enclosed.

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6. Prior Documents Still In Effect

This application and parent application Serial No. 08/878,437 filed 6/18/97 are assigned of record to Soane Biosciences, Inc., now Aclara Biosciences, Inc. as recorded in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office at Reel 9073 and Frame 0660.

Power of Attorney in the above-identified prior application is to Peter J. Dehlinger, Reg. No. 28,006, and the other attorneys or agents identified therein.

7. Entity Status

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR §1.27.

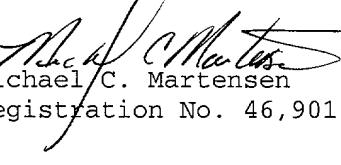
8. Fees

The filing fee has been calculated taking into account any amendments in section 2 above:

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Respectfully submitted,

  
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